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ENRON CORP., et al.,	§
Defendants.	-
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CERTAIN PRIVATE ACTION PLAINTIFFS' MEMORANDUM OF LAW IN OPPOSITION TO BANK DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO CLARIFY THE 227 MARCH 11, 2004 SCHEDULING ORDER, WITH RESPECT TO THIRD PARTY COMPLAINTS AND CROSS CLAIMS IN ACTIONS NOT PROCEEDING UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED NEWBY AND TITTLE COMPLAINTS

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and MAUREEN HENDRICKS,	§
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ABBEY NATIONAL TREASURY SERVICES plc,

Plaintiff,

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Defendants.

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES'

CIVIL ACTION NO. H-02-3869

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Plaintiff,

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BANC OF AMERICA SECURITIES LLC; WACHOVIA CORPORATION F/K/A FIRST UNION CORPORATION F/K/A FORUM CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC; SALOMON SMITH BARNEY, INC.: GOLDMAN SACHS & COMPANY; JP MORGAN SECURITIES, INC.; CITIGROUP, INC.; MERRILL LYNCH & CO., INC.; RICHARD A. CAUSEY; JEFFREY K. SKILLING; ANDREW S. FASTOW; ROBERT A. BELFER; NORMAN P. BLAKE, JR.; RICHARD BUY; RONNIE C. CHAN; JOHN V. DERRICK, JR.; JOHN H. DUNCAN; JOE H. FOY; WENDY L. GRAMM; KENNETH L. HARRISON; ROBERT K. JAEDICKE; KENNETH L. LAY; CHARLES A. LEMAISTRE; REBECCA MARK-JUSBASCHE; JOHN ENDELSOHN; JEROME J. MEYER; PAULO V. FERRAZ PEREIRA; FRANK SAVAGE; JOHN A. URQUHART; CHARLES E. WALKER; JOHN WAKEHAM; BRUCE G. WILLISON; HERBERT S. WINOKUR, JR.; CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON; DEUTSCHE BANK ALEX BROWN, INC.; BARCLAY'S CAPITAL INC.; ARTHUR ANDERSEN LLP; ANDERSEN WORLDWIDE S.C.; ANDERSEN CO.; ARTHUR ANDERSEN-PUERTO RICO; ANDERSEN LLP; ARTHUR-ANDERSEN-BRAZIL; ARTHUR ANDERSEN: JOSEPH F. BERARDINO: THOMAS H. BAUER; DAVID B. DUNCAN; DEBRA A. CASH; DONALD DREYFUSS; JAMES A. FRIEDLIEB; DAVID STEPHEN GODDARD, JR.; GARY B. GOOLSBY; MICHAEL M. LOWTHER; BENJAMIN S. NEUHAUSEN; MICHAEL C. ODOM; RICHARD C. PETERSEN; JOHN E. STEWART; MICHAEL L. BENNETT; WILLIAM E. SWANSON; ROGER D. WILLARD; MICHAEL D. JONES;

CASE NO. CGC 02-414500

GREGORY W. HALE; JOHN E. SORRELS; DANNY B. RUDLOFF; PHILIP A. RANDALL; ROMAN W. McALINDON; and C.E. ANDREWS,

Defendants.

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SILVERCREEK MANAGEMENT INC.; SILVERCREEK LIMITED PARTNERSHIP; SILVERCREEK II LIMITED; OIP LIMITED; and PEBBLE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP.

Plaintiffs,

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CITIGROUP, INC.; BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATION; J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES, INC.; J.P. MORGAN CHASE & COMPANY; CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON; DEUTSCHE BANK ALEX BROWN, INC.; DEUTSCHE BANK AG; BARCLAY'S CAPITAL INC., BARCLAY'S PLC; MERRILL LYNCH & CO.; ANDERSEN WORLDWIDE S.C.; ANDERSEN CO.; ARTHUR ANDERSEN-PUERTO RICO; ANDERSEN LLP; ARTHUR ANDERSEN-BRAZIL: ARTHUR ANDERSEN: JOSEPH F. BERARDINO; THOMAS H. BAUER; DEBRA A. CASH; DONALD DREYFUSS; JAMES A. FRIEDLIEB; DAVID STEPHEN GODDARD, JR.; GARY B. GOOLSBY; MICHAEL M. LOWTHER; BENJAMIN S. NEUHAUSEN; DAVID MICHAEL C. ODOM; RICHARD R. PETERSEN; JOHN E. STEWART; MICHAEL L. BENNETT: WILLIAM E. SWANSON: ROGER D. WILLARD; MICHAEL D. JONES; GREGORY W. HALE; JOHN E. SORRELLS: DANNY D. RUDLOFF; PHILLIP A. RANDALL; ROMAN W. McALINDON; C.E. ANDREWS; VINSON & ELKINS L.L.P.; KIRKLAND & ELLLIS: KENNETH LAY: JEFFREY K. SKILLING; ANDREW S. FASTOW; ROBERT A. BELFER; NORMAN P. BLAKE; RONNIE C. CHAN; JOHN H. DUNCAN; JOE H. FOY; WENDY L.

CIVIL ACTION NO. H-03-0185

GRAMM; KENNETH L. HARRISON; ROBERT K. JAEDICKE; CHARLES A. LeMAISTRE; REBECCA MARK-JUSBASCHE; JOHN MENDELSOHN; JEROME J. MEYER; PAULO V. FERRAZ PERIERA; FRANK SAVAGE; JOHN A. URQUHART; JOHN WAKEHAM; HERBERT S. WINOKER, JR.; RICHARD CAUSEY; RICHARD BUY; and JOHN V. DERRICK, JR.,

Defendants.

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VANGUARD BALANCED INDEX FUND, ON BEHALF OF ITS VANGUARD BALANCED INDEX FUND SERIES, 100 Vanguard Boulevard Malvern, Pennsylvania 19355

and

VANGUARD BOND INDEX FUNDS, ON BEHALF OF ITS VANGUARD SHORT-TERM BOND INDEX FUND SERIES and ON BEHALF OF ITS VANGUARD TOTAL BOND MARKET INDEX FUND SERIES,

> 100 Vanguard Boulevard Malvern, Pennsylvania 19355

and

VANGUARD FIXED INCOME SECURITIES FUNDS, ON BEHALF OF ITS VANGUARD INTERMEDIATE-TERM CORPORATE FUND SERIES and ON BEHALF OF ITS VANGUARD SHORT-TERM CORPORATE FUND SERIES.

100 Vanguard Boulevard Malvern, Pennsylvania 19355

and

VANGUARD VARIABLE INSURANCE FUND, ON BEHALF OF ITS VANGUARD VARIABLE INSURANCE FUND - SHORT- CIVIL ACTION NO. 03-02925

TERM CORPORATE PORTFOLIO SERIES and ON BEHALF OF ITS VANGUARD VARIABLE INSURANCE FUND - TOTAL BOND MARKET INDEX PORTFOLIO SERIES, 100 Vanguard Boulevard Malvern, Pennsylvania 19355 and VANGUARD INSTITUTIONAL INDEX FUND, ON BEHALF OF ITS VANGUARD INSTITUTIONAL TOTAL BOND MARKET INDEX FUND SERIES, 100 Vanguard Boulevard Malvern, Pennsylvania 19355 and VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY CORPORATE BOND TRUST 100 Vanguard Boulevard Malvern, Pennsylvania 19355 and Plaintiffs, [Caption continued on next page]
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Cayman, Cayman Islands,

Defendants.

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Plaintiff,

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THE MAN GROUP PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY,

v.

Plaintiff,

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CIVIL ACTION NOS. H-03-1558, H-03-1579 (Formerly Civil Action Nos. Nos. 3:02CV02095(WWE), and 3:02CV02107(WWE) in the District of Connecticut) BENNETT, WILLIAM E. SWANSON, ROGER D. WILLARD, GREGORY W. HALE, JOHN E. SORRELLS, DANNY D. RUDLOFF. VINSON & ELKINS, LLP, KIRKLAND & ELLIS, ANDREWS & KURTH, L.L.P., § MILBANK, TWEED, HADLEY & MCCLOY § LLP, J. P. MORGAN CHASE & CO., J. P. MORGAN SECURITIES, INC., J. P. MORGAN CHASE BANK, CITIGROUP, § § INC., CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS § REALTY CORP. (F/K/A SALOMON SMITH BARNEY, INC.), CITIBANK, N.A., § § CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS, LTD. (F/K/A SALOMON BROTHERS § INTERNATIONAL LIMITED), MERRILL § LYNCH & CO., MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH, INC., BARCLAYS CAPITAL, INC., BARCLAYS BANK, PLC, CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON (USA). INC., CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON LLC, DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE SECURITIES CORP., PERSHING, LLC, CANADIAN IMPERIAL BANK OF COMMERCE, CIBC, INC., CIBC WORLD MARKETS CORP., CIBC WORLD MARKETS PLC, CIBC CAPITAL CORP., BANK OF AMERICA CORP., BANK OF AMERICA SECURITIES LLC, DEUTSCHE BANK AG, DEUTSCHE BANK SECURITIES INC., DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS. § TORONTO-DOMINION BANK, TORONTO-DOMINION HOLDINGS (U.S.A.), INC., TD SECURITIES, INC., TD SECURITIES (USA), INC., TORONTO-DOMINION INVESTMENTS, INC., TORONTO SECURITIES LTD., TORONTO DOMINION (TEXAS), INC., THE ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND GROUP PLC, THE ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND PLC, NATIONAL § WESTMINSTER BANK PLC, GREENWICH NATWEST STRUCTURED FINANCE, INC., GREENWICH NATWEST LTD., CAMPSIE LTD., ROYAL BANK OF CANADA, ROYAL BANK HOLDING, INC., ROYAL BANK DS HOLDING, INC., RBC DOMINION

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(USA) INC., RBC DOMINION SECURITIES
CORP., STANDARD & POOR'S CREDIT
MARKET SERVICES, A DIVISION OF THE
MCGRAW-HILL COMPANIES, INC.,
MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE, INC., and
FITCH, INC.,

Defendants.

UNICREDITO ITALIANO SPA AND BANK POLSKA KASA OPIEKI SA,

Plaintiffs,

v.

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, J.P. MORGAN CHASE & CO., J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES INC., CITIBANK, N.A., CITIGROUP, INC. AND SALOMON SMITH BARNEY, INC.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. H-04-0324

Plaintiffs in the above-styled actions (collectively "Private Action Plaintiffs") hereby submit this Memorandum Of Law In Opposition To Bank Defendants' Motion To Clarify The March 11, 2004 Scheduling Order, With Respect To Third Party Complaints And Cross Claims In Actions Not Proceeding Under The Consolidated *Newby* And *Tittle* Complaints.¹

The Bank Defendants' Motion, pursuant to which the Bank Defendants seek modification, and not clarification, of this Court's March 11, 2004 Scheduling Order (the "March 11th Order") should be denied for reasons discussed herein.

ARGUMENT

A. The Bank Defendants' Motion Should Be Denied Because The Plain Language Of The March 11th Order States That The Deadline For Joining New Parties And Asserting Cross Claims In The Private Action Plaintiffs' Actions Is August 2, 2004

Pursuant to the March 11th Order, this Court unambiguously set the deadline to join new parties and/or to file third-party complaints or cross claims/complaints in "those consolidated and coordinated cases" (the "Private Action Plaintiffs' Actions") as August 2, 2004. March 11th Order at 1. The March 11th Order states, "the Pretrial-Scheduling Order, which shall apply to the *Tittle* and *Newby* actions and those consolidated and coordinated cases for discovery purposes (Private Action Plaintiffs' Actions), shall be as follows: ... Deadline to join new parties or to file a third party complaint or cross complaint/claims – Monday, August 2, 2004." Id.

The Bank Defendants' claim that they seek to clarify the explicit language of the March 11th Order is disingenuous. In fact, the Bank Defendants do no seek any clarification of the unambiguous language of the March 11th Order, rather the Bank Defendants now seek to modify

The Bank Defendants' Motion To Clarify The March 11, 2004 Scheduling Order, With Respect To Third Party Complaints And Cross Claims In Actions Not Proceeding Under The Consolidated *Newby* And *Tittle* Complaints is hereinafter referred to as the "Bank Defendants' Motion".

that Order and ask this Court to extend the deadline for adding new parties to some future and unspecified date.²

In the March 11th Order, this Court stated, "This Court considers the scheduled dates to be *firm*, which are not subject to change without sufficient reason." March 11th Order at 1 (emphasis in original). Furthermore, this Court has previously admonished the parties against the modification of any scheduling order when it stated, "This case must simply stay on schedule. There will undoubtedly be more fits and starts in the discovery process, but <u>the primary goal must be to stay on schedule</u>." Order On Bank Defendants' Motion And Memorandum Of Law For Modification Of The Scheduling Order dated May 28, 2004 at 3 (emphasis added).

In recognition of this Court's admonition, Abbey Gardy, LLP⁴, which was chosen by the other Private Action Plaintiffs to act as the representative for all Private Action Plaintiffs concerning discovery and scheduling matters in the consolidated and coordinated actions, has been working diligently with Lead Counsel for both the *Newby* and *Tittle* actions as part of the Deposition Scheduling Committee and its subcommittees to insure complete coordination of all merits discovery. Pushing the date on which new parties may be joined or cross claims asserted back 90 days or more would greatly disrupt this process of coordination, as well as contradict both the plain language of the March 11th Order and the previous order of this Court.

The Bank Defendants have asked this Court to extend the deadline for joining new parties and/or filing third-party complaints or cross-claims until the <u>later</u> of November 1, 2004 or 30 days after the filing of their answer in an action by any given Private Action Plaintiff. The Bank Defendants have chosen this time-table because such time-table is in place in the Enron Adversary Action before Judge Gonzalez. The Enron Adversary Action is wholly separate from the *Newby*, *Tittle* and Private Action Plaintiff Actions. The Enron Adversary Action is before a different judge and is proceeding on a separate discovery track with its own separate and distinct schedule.

For reasons discussed herein, Bank Defendants have not put forth "sufficient reason" for modification of the March 11th Order.

Abbey Gardy LLP is co-counsel for Conseco Annuity Assurance Company in the action entitled, *Conseco Annuity Assurance Company v. Citigroup et al.*, H-03-CV-2240.

Accordingly, Private Action Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court deny the Bank Defendants' Motion.

B. The Bank Defendants' Motion Should Be Denied Because Modification Of The March 11th Order Will Severely Prejudice Newly-Joined Parties

Should this Court grant the Bank Defendants' Motion, the Bank Defendants would be permitted to add new parties until the <u>later</u> of November 1, 2004 or 30 days after the filing of the Bank Defendants' Answer in an action by a Private Action Plaintiff. As this Court is aware, the Court-ordered 18-month-long deposition schedule is well underway and discovery for the month of September is currently being planned. Extensive coordination of the scheduling for these depositions is occurring almost daily with countless committee conferences and calls occurring on an on-going basis. Should the Court permit the Bank Defendants to add new parties after August 2, 2004, there is a significant likelihood that any parties added after August 2, 2004 would be severely prejudiced because they will not have a meaningful opportunity to take part in the on-going coordinated discovery. Between August 2, 2004 and November 1, 2004, approximately 40 depositions will be taken.⁵ Additionally, parties in the *Tittle*, *Newby*, and Private Action Plaintiffs' Actions have produced, and continue to produce everyday, millions of pages of documents. Parties joined after the August 2nd deadline imposed by the March 11th Order will not be able to participate in any of these depositions, or have the benefit of attending. in person. Furthermore, these parties will be forced to order multiple productions of documents, generated by multiple producing parties, at one time, just to "catch-up" with others who have been participating in such discovery for months.

At the time of the filing of this brief, the parties have scheduled approximately 27 depositions for the months of August and September, collectively. The parties have yet to schedule depositions for the months of October and November. Once such depositions are scheduled, the number of depositions will most likely increase by as much as 26; 13 being the average number of depositions taken in one month.

Accordingly, without the benefit of being able to participate in on-going coordinated discovery, any parties joined after the August 2nd deadline imposed by the March 11th Order, will likely be severely prejudiced.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Private Action Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court deny the Bank Defendants' Motion.

Dated: July 23, 2004

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I hereby certify that on this 23rd day of July, 2004, a copy of the forgoing document was served on all counsel of record by posting in PDF format to www.csi3624.com.

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